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SUBJECT: ALO PRESIDENTE ... MORALES?

[¶1.](#) (SBU) According to press reports, President Evo Morales plans to start his own weekly radio call-in program, similar to the "Alo Presidente" program hosted by Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez. Bolivian Director of Government Communications Gaston Nunez explained the show may launch as early as January and will be broadcast on the GOB's growing network of "communitarian" radio stations as well as on the recently announced state-run TV station.

[¶2.](#) (SBU) Comment: Despite the GOB's assertions that the program will not be like Chavez's "Alo Presidente," there is no doubt that Chavez influenced the show's concept. The GOB's plan to launch a network of 30 "communitarian" radio stations and a new TV station demonstrate that President Morales is, at least to some extent, following the Venezuelan script. End Comment.

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